Dear Dah, 3/7/78

Pleasant surprise coming home from Washington and finding your letter of 3/5.

Not so pleasant that the second of what I presume by now is a massive crew of National Enquirer reporters is working on one of their more insane projects and xxxxx is going to call me back soon. The project is that Flynt was shot because he was getting close to the JFK assassins!

Once I have that out of the way I have to unpack the attache case and get back to work. Time pressures get only heavier.

I told Scott about you and Nikki. He is enterprising and imaginative. He was here with the BBC crew Sunday night.

The violent-prone Cubans: I think you make a mistake to write about them and hope you won't after the present peace. They are all irrational and except as one can predict the crazy are unpredictable. We can't think as they think, see as they see and what makes them most dangerous, believe as they truly belief. They are zelots in a lost and utterly insane non-cause.

I know about the Babun brothers from earlier printed accounts of their involvements. Was it in connection with Bosch and his "Cuban Power?" And as you may recall, I know about Masferrer from having written about him. I did not know of the new info. Why not tell your local cops to file some FOIA requests? That will make the point that they should have been told.

The local police can tell you whether or not they gave dubs of the Milteer/Somersett to the feds. I understand they said they did to both the FBI and the Secret Service. I suspect that you'll find the tape is not in FBIHQ and is in the Miami field office. Their standard pretense is that all the files are on HQ and they never mention the field offices. You'd have to duplicate the request of the local field office.

Scott just called me about something else, another and different BBC project. He did not get a set of Nikki's pix and BBC did not use those she took.

I have not had a chance to look for the Somersett stuff I got but it is no more than that he had been an informant, which you now have confirmed, plus they stoppedhaving anything to do with him because so much was unreliable.

On your CIA request: have you thought of having the local ACLU consider whether they will rep you? And if I tell you how you might prevail in the fee-waiver request, if you get the records will you give me a set of copies to deposit with my records at Wisconsin? I think you'll have to switch your emphasis to prevail on that.

I heard about the CBS stuff on Castro and cocaine. In and of itself it is very thin. It lacks credibility. It also is opposed to the Castroite belief. And it just happens to be a retreading of another old one of the same noature that wasn't true, Castro as a reshipper of heroin. So far as Crile is concerned, I recall nothing from the Post or Hapers stuff that I can't see the CIA wanting out at that time. (It wasn t in thePost magazine-it was in the Sunday Outlook or editorial section.) In my belief there is not even a reasonable basis for speculating in that direction. It is totally foreign to Castro's belief and known record.

Please excuse the haste. I've had two calls other than the one I expected and before the 10th winter storm, which is forecast, can strike us I'm taking Lil out to dinner for a change. This is her tax season! Our best to you all, plants and cats too!